

REMARKS

In the aforesaid Office Action, Claims 1-3 and 5-18 were rejected under 35 USC §112, 2nd paragraph, and Claims 1, 2, 8-13, 17-19, 22, 25, 29, and 32-35 were rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as anticipated by Engelhardt et al. (6,263,234). Applicant notes with appreciation the indication that Claims 3, 5-7 and 14-16 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 USC §112 and if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base and any intervening claims, and that Claims 20, 21, 23, 24, 26-28, 30 and 31 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base and any intervening claims. Claims 1-2 and 5-30 and 32-35 remain pending.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 and 5-18 under 35 USC §112, 2nd paragraph, stating that there is insufficient antecedent basis for the “imaging information component”. Applicant has amended claim 1 to clarify that the imaging information component is the imaging information acquisition component, and to make other minor clarifying amendments.

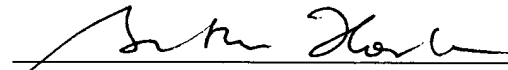
Applicant has amended Claim 1 to include all the limitations of allowable claim 3, and have amended claim 29 to include all the limitations of allowable claim 31. Regarding claim 19, the Examiner indicated that claim 20, which depends from claim 19, would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base and any intervening claims. Claim 20 sets forth that the playback rate comprises a rate less than said acquisition rate. Applicant has amended claim 19 to set forth that the

playback rate comprises a rate different than said acquisition rate. Such as configuration is not disclosed or suggested by the references. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections are now moot.

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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